

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for effecting communication between at least two communication terminals ~~(T₁, T₂)~~ across a computer network ~~(100)~~, in which: [[,]]

the two terminals ~~(T₁, T₂)~~ being are linked to a telephone network ~~(101)~~,

[[-]] the a ~~first of the two terminals (T₁)~~ terminal connects ~~up (25)~~ to the computer network ~~(100)~~ and obtains a first computer address which ~~it transmits~~ is transmitted to ~~the a~~ second terminal ~~(T₂)~~ across the telephone network ~~(101)~~, and

[[-]] the second terminal ~~(T₂)~~ connects ~~up (29)~~ to the computer network ~~(100)~~ and obtains a second computer address which ~~it transmits~~ is transmitted to the first terminal ~~(T₁)~~ across the computer network ~~(100)~~, process characterized in that, wherein

[[-]] before connecting ~~up~~ to the computer network ~~(100)~~, the first terminal ~~(T₁)~~ calls ~~(20)~~ the second terminal ~~(T₂)~~

across the telephone network (101) and invites ~~it~~ (21) the second terminal to call ~~it~~ the first terminal back later, as agreed, the second terminal (T₂) calls the first terminal (T₁) later (26) and the latter then transmits (28) ~~its computer address to it,~~ first terminal transmits the first computer address to the second terminal across the telephone network (101).

2. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, in which, after having obtained ~~its~~ the first computer address, the first terminal (T₁) remains connected to the computer network (100), ~~it~~ and is advised advised of the call of the second terminal (T₂) across the telephone network (101) by a call signal (27) and then switches (28) temporarily over to the second terminal (T₂) so as to transmit ~~it's~~ the first computer address to ~~it~~ the second terminal across the telephone network (101).

3. (Currently Amended) A process for effecting communication between at least two communication terminals (T₁, T₂) across a computer network (100), in which:
the two terminals (T₁, T₂) ~~being~~ are linked to a telephone network (101),

~~the~~ a first of the ~~two~~ terminals (T_1) connects ~~up~~ (45) to the computer network (100) and obtains a first computer address which ~~it transmits~~ is transmitted to the a second terminal (T_2) across the telephone network (101) , and ~~[[-]]~~ the second terminal (T_2) connects ~~up~~ (50) to the computer network (100) and obtains a second computer address which ~~it transmits~~ is transmitted to the first terminal (T_2) across the computer network (100) , ~~process characterized in that,~~ wherein, after having obtained (45) ~~it's the first~~ computer address, the first terminal (T_1) disconnects (46) from the computer network (100) , so as to transmit (48) ~~it's the first~~ computer address to the second terminal (T_2) across the telephone network (101) , then reconnects (49) to the computer network (100) and obtains the same first computer address as at during the previous connection (45) .

4. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 3, in which, after having disconnected from the computer network (100) , the first terminal (T_1) calls the second terminal (T_2) across the telephone network (101) so as to transmit ~~it's the first~~ computer address to ~~it~~ the second terminal.

5. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 3, in which the first terminal $\{T_1\}$ connects up to the computer network $\{100\}$ by way of an access provider $\{IAP_1\}$ to which ~~it addresses~~ a request $\{45\}$ is addressed so as to obtain the same first computer address for two successive connections.

6. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 3, in which the first terminal $\{T_1\}$ connects up to the computer network $\{100\}$ by way of an access provider $\{IAP_1\}$ which allocates ~~it~~ the same first computer address to the first terminal for a plurality of successive connections in so far as they occur within a predetermined time span.

7. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, in which the first terminal $\{T_1\}$ calls the second terminal $\{T_2\}$ across the telephone network $\{101\}$ so as to ask it if ~~it~~ the second terminal wishes to communicate with ~~it~~ the first terminal across the computer network $\{100\}$.

8. (Currently Amended) The process as claimed in claim 1, in which, after effecting communication between

the ~~two~~ terminals $\{T_1, T_2\}$ across the computer network ~~(100)~~, the terminals $\{T_1, T_2\}$ each activate a signal so as to advise ~~their~~ users that communication has been effected between the ~~two~~ terminals $\{T_1, T_2\}$.

9. (New) A method of establishing a communication link comprising:

contacting a computer network that assigns a first dynamic internet protocol address to a first communication device for a predetermined duration;

establishing communication with a second communication device and forwarding the first dynamic internet protocol address from the first communication device to the second communication device via a telephone network;

terminating the telephone network connection between the first communication device and the second communication device;

establishing communication with the computer network which reassigns the first dynamic internet protocol address to the first communication device; and

utilizing the first dynamic internet protocol address for the second communication device to establish communication with the first communication device via the computer network.

10. (New) The method of claim 9, further comprising terminating communication between the first communication device and the computer network after the first dynamic internet protocol address is initially assigned.